

## CHAPTER 17.

## MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDINGS.

H. F. 73.

AN ACT authorizing cities having a population of fifty thousand and over, including cities under commission form of government and cities under special charter, to erect a municipal court building and providing for a special tax, the issuance of bonds, and the submission of the question of erection of such building.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1 SECTION 1. **Municipal court buildings authorized.** Cities hav-  
2 ing a population of fifty thousand or over, including cities under com-  
3 mission form of government, and cities under special charter, shall  
4 have the power to erect a municipal court building, and to purchase  
5 the grounds therefor, such building when constructed to be used for  
6 the housing of the municipal court and such other like purposes as the  
7 council from time to time may by ordinance direct, including the hous-  
8 ing and retention of persons charged with offenses against the laws  
9 of the city and the state.

1 SEC. 2. **Tax levy authorized.** For the purpose of paying for the  
2 construction of such building, and the purchase price of such grounds,  
3 such city shall have the power to levy upon all the property within the  
4 corporate limits of such cities and towns, subject to taxation, for said  
5 purposes, in addition to all other taxes now provided by law, a special  
6 tax not exceeding in any one year one mill on the dollar for a period  
7 of years not exceeding fifty.

1 SEC. 3. **Bonds authorized—maturity—duty of treasurer.** Any  
2 city desiring to construct such a building or to purchase grounds there-  
3 for, may anticipate the collection of the tax herein authorized to be  
4 levied for the construction of a municipal court building, and for that  
5 purpose may issue interest bearing bonds carrying a rate of interest  
6 not to exceed five per cent per annum, to be denominated "Municipal  
7 Court Building Bonds" and the said bonds, and the interest thereon  
8 shall be secured by said assessment and levy, and shall be payable only  
9 out of the proceeds of the special tax provided for in the preceding  
10 section, and no bonds shall be issued in excess of taxes authorized to be  
11 levied to secure the payment of the same. It shall be the duty of the  
12 treasurer of such city to collect said tax authorized to be levied and  
13 to hold the same separate and apart in trust, for the payment of said  
14 bonds, and interest, and to apply the proceeds of said special tax,  
15 pledged for that purpose, to the payment of said bonds and interest.  
16 Such bonds shall be known as "Municipal Court Building Bonds" and  
17 shall be issued and sold in accordance with the provisions of chapter  
18 12, title 5, of the code of Iowa, and acts amendatory thereto. In is-  
19 suing such bonds city council may cause portions of said bonds to be-  
20 come due at different definite periods, but none of such bonds so issued  
21 shall be due and payable in less than three or more than fifty years  
22 from date.

1. SEC. 4. **Election as condition precedent.** No building shall be  
2 erected under the provisions of this act unless a majority of the legal

3 voters voting thereon vote in favor of the same at a general city elec-  
4 tion, or at a special election called for such purpose.

1 SEC. 5. Election—procedure. The question provided in the pre-  
2 ceding section, to be submitted, may be ordered by the city council  
3 submitted to a vote at a general city election, or at one specially called  
4 for that purpose. Notice of such election shall be given by publication  
5 in two newspapers published in said city, once each week, for not less  
6 than four consecutive weeks, and the election shall be held not less  
7 than seven nor more than ten days after the completion of such publi-  
8 cation. The question to be submitted shall be in the following form:  
9 "Shall the city of . . . . ., erect a municipal court  
10 building at a cost not exceeding \$. . . . ."

1 SEC. 6. Fund to be exclusive. No part of the purchase price of the  
2 grounds nor of any of the bonds issued hereunder and no part of the  
3 interest accruing thereon shall ever be paid from the general revenue  
4 or funds of the city, or out of any fund, or from the proceeds of any  
5 tax, other than funds arising from the tax provided for herein.

1 SEC. 7. Publication clause. This act being deemed of immediate  
2 importance, shall take effect, and be in force immediately after its  
3 publication in the Cedar Rapids Republican, a newspaper published  
4 in Cedar Rapids, Linn county, Iowa, and the Des Moines Capital, a  
5 newspaper published in Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Cedar Rapids Republican  
February 20, 1917, and in the Des Moines Capital February 17, 1917.

W. S. ALLEN, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 18.

CITY OF CLINTON.

H. F. 109.

AN ACT to legalize that certain special election held in the city of Clinton, in the county  
of Clinton, and state of Iowa, March 18, 1913, and that certain ordinance approved  
and adopted thereat, granting to Clinton Gas and Electric Company the franchise  
and right to construct and maintain apparatus for the transmission of gas and  
apparatus for the transmission of electricity in, along and through the streets  
and public places of said city.

WHEREAS, the city council of the city of Clinton, in the county of Clinton,  
and state of Iowa, did, on February 5, 1913, pass a certain ordinance bear-  
ing chapter number 291, and entitled: "An Ordinance granting the Clinton  
Gas and Electric Company, its successors and assigns, the right to erect,  
maintain and operate within the city of Clinton, Iowa, a gas and electric  
plant for the production, distribution and sale of gas and electricity, in  
the city of Clinton, Iowa, and to lay down pipes, mains and distributing  
agencies, and the right to erect poles, lines, wires or conduits, necessary  
for the operation of the same, and the distribution of its products in, along  
and upon streets, avenues, highways, alleys and public places in said  
city;" and